

Risk Management Program (RMP)

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"Members of Local Emergency Response Committees, State and Local Governments, Tribes, Public Health Organizations, Fire and Hazmat Departments, and Law Enforcement Organizations are encouraged to attend"

"Come and learn about the Risk Management Program and understand how to prevent accidental releases of hazardous substances"

Register Online at www.trainex.org

Program Questions?

Risk Management Program Training

EPA will be hosting their annual Risk Management Program training in Portland, Oregon from April 3-6, 2006. The first day will focus on the Basics of the program and the following three days will include the Techniques needed to develop a program. The training will take place at the Department of Environmental Quality at 811 SW 6th, Portland, OR 97204.

Who should attend?

Risk management is a team effort. Local and state emergency planning and response personnel should understand and become familiar with facility requirements for preventing accidental releases of hazardous substances. Facilities producing, storing and/or using greater than a threshold amount of specific toxic and/or flammable chemicals are required to have a risk management program and submit a plan to EPA. This is an opportunity for facilities, emergency planners and responders to become familiar with the risk management program requirements that were mandated under Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act. The training is free for government agencies.

What will be covered in the training?

The major components of a Risk Management Plan (RMP) will be discussed, e.g., off-site consequence analysis, five-year accident histories, prevention and emergency response programs. EPA staff will discuss new regulatory requirements, their inspection and enforcement program, and how to resubmit a risk management plan.

Background:

Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act, also known as the risk management program, deals specifically with facilities that hold or use toxic or flammable substances at or above thresholds determined by EPA. The primary goal of the risk management program is to insure that industries, community members and emergency responders have the proper tools to prevent and respond to chemical accidents before catastrophic releases occur.

Online registration is available at www.trainex.org. For more information regarding the training or registration, including the fee for non-governmental attendees, please contact Diane Ruthruff at (206) 553-5139 or ruthruff.diane@epa.gov. Nearby lodging is available at the Hilton (Portland and Executive Tower, 503-226-1611, 1-800-HILTONS).

For more information regarding the RMP program contact:

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